A REVISION OF THE GENUS ALEOCHARA COLEOPTERA: STAPHYLINIDAE) OF AMERICA NORTH OF MEXICO. SUPPLEMENT 3. NEW DISTRIBUTION DATA¹

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ABSTRACT: New distribution data are presented and discussed for four species of Aleochara.

This is the third supplement since the revision of Nearctic Aleochara was published (Klimaszewski 1984, 1985, and 1986). It is based on an examination of additional specimens sent to the senior author for identification by Dr. R. Baranowski, Lund, Sweden, and some collected by the junior author in Minnesota. These represent four new state and provincial records.

The terminology and methods used here are the same as in Klimaszewski (1984).

The abbreviations of Institutions used here are:

LEM - Lyman Entomological Museum and Research Laboratory, Macdonald College Campus, Ste.-Anne de Bellevue, Quebec, Canada

RBC - Dr. R. Baranowski Collection, Zoological Institute, Lund, Sweden

UMC - University of Minnesota Collection, St. Paul, Minnesota, United States

Aleochara (Coprochara) suffusa Casey

New distribution data: United States, Washington, Okanogan Co., Okanogan near Buzzard Lake, August 1, 1982, R. Baranowski (RBC) 1 female.

This Holarctic species ranges from northern Quebec, Alberta and Alaska south along Rocky Mountains to Arizona and New Mexico (Klimaszewski 1984). Our present new state record extends its distribution farther towards the coastal region.

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Aleochara (Xenochara) inexspectata Klimaszewski

New distribution data: Canada, Ontario, Nipissing Co., Algonquin Provincial Park, near Brent, August 21, 1980, R. Baronowski (RBC) 1 female.

This Nearctic species was previously reported from Nova Scotia, Michigan, and Wisconsin (Klimaszewski 1984). The present new provincial record indicates that *A. inexspectata* is continuously distributed in southeastern Canada.

Aleochara (Xenochara) quadrata Sharp

New distribution data: Canada, British Columbia, near Mabel Lake at Squaw Valley, August 5, 1982, R. Baranowski (RBC) 1 female.

Aleochara quadrata is known to occur in California and Nevada (Klimaszewski 1984). The present new provincial record markedly extends the range of this species farther to the north.

Aleochara (Xenochara) tristis Gravenhorst

New distribution data: United States, Minnesota, Washington Co., Dellwood Grant Twp., August 1, 1984, V. Cervenka (LEM) 2 sex undet., and (UMC) 1 female.

Aleochra tristis is a Palearctic species introduced to North America from France by Drea in 1966 (Klimaszewski 1984). It was recorded in North America from two localities: one in Quebec and the other in California (Klimaszewski 1984). This interesting new state record from Minnesota indicates that A. tristis is more widely distributed here than previously thought, and that it is probably well established. The large distribution range of this species in our continent is most likely the result of rapid dispersal of A. tristis, although additional data are needed for confirmation. The specimens have been collected ex bovine dung.

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